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6WEAPONS TEST RANGE

PAI-CHENG, CHINA

1. THIS AREA WAS FIRST COVERED [REDACTED] WHICH REVEALED AN UNIDENTIFIED GROUND PATTERN. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE WAS PROVIDED BY ONE GRC AND AT LEAST 16 KH MISSIONS. THE LARGE SCALE COVERAGE PROVIDED [REDACTED] ENABLED IDENTIFICATION OF THIS FACILITY AS A WEAPONS TEST RANGE. [REDACTED] REVEALED THE FIRST EVIDENCE OF [REDACTED]

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2. THE PRINCIPAL COMPONENTS OF THE FACILITY INCLUDE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] TWO WEAPONS TEST CELLS (NEW SINCE THE SUMMER OF 1963), ONE OTHER WEAPONS TEST CELL, A POSSIBLE MUNITIONS LOADING FACILITY, AN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX, TWO STORAGE AREAS, AN ADMINISTRATION AND HOUSING AREA, TWO INSTRUMENTED DIRECT-FIRE COMPLEXES, A TANK/ASSAULT GUN FIRING RANGE, AND A PROBABLE IMPACT AREA WITH INSTRUMENTATION LINES.

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3. THIS MISSION PROVIDES LARGE SCALE PHOTOGRAPHY OF EXCELLENT QUALITY WHICH ENABLES A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE TEST RANGE FACILITIES.

TWO EXPERIMENTAL, 8-POSITION AAA EMPLACEMENTS, ONE POSSIBLY COMPLETE AND THE OTHER UNDER CONSTRUCTION, ARE OBSERVED IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX. EACH OF THE 8 POSITIONS IN THE EMPLACEMENT UNDER CONSTRUCTION IS WELL BELOW GRADE

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AND CONSISTS OF A LEAST 5 ELEMENTS. THE 8 POSITIONS APPEAR TO BE CONNECTED BY TRENCHES. A DOUBLE-FENCED AREA LOCATED IMMEDIATELY SOUTHEAST CONTAINS TWO INSTITUTIONAL-TYPE BUILDINGS AND MAY SERVE A RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PURPOSE.

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THE MUNITIONS STORAGE AREA LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF THE TEST RANGES IS DOUBLE-FENCED. A SEPARATELY-SECURED, VENTILATED STORAGE BUILDING, LOCATED NEAR THE ENTRANCE TO THE STORAGE AREA,

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A BIFURCATED RAIL SPUR HAS BEEN BUILT TO FIRING COMPLEX 2 AND TO THE INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX.

THE PREVAILING WIND APPEARS TO BE FROM THE NORTHWEST.

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